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Virginia Items.

writing news for the TIMES this yea". It will be things we see and hear, nd if we get them wrong or mixed

Friends forgive us for this is '96. Willis Zinn, who was mostly raised hree miles northeast of Virginia, ded at his home in the Indian Terribry Nov. 10th. He moved from here

bont eight years ago. One of John Foster's children was ek with a bad cold and sore throat

A W Simpson dehorned George hompson's cattle last week.
Isaac Park sold E Morewood 31 ad of March Burkshire pigs that veraged 2274 lbs.

Mint Boon and Mr Psalms of North Cotte, Kan., were in Virginia Saturby afternoon, they are visiting the amilies of John and Alfred Jackson. AH Jenkins and wife of northeast Butler, visited the family of James Casick Saturday and attended church

at Virginia Sabbath. Miss Lillie Patterson, of Butler, attended church at Virginia last Sabbath; also Mr Bennet and wife of Milberry.

ginia Sabbath night seeing what he Wm Smith of Butler, was in Vir-

John Jackson spent several days at Eldorado Springs last week with the this place. Sherd Cope traded his farm for one

Jasper county.

Prof J J Berry of Adrian stayed bbath night with Aaron. Elder Claypool closed his meeting bbath night at Virginia with no additions; the meeting was not very

well attended during the week. Last Sabbath we noticed another young man partly shaved since the election.

Comittee on arrangement of Christnas tree M E church: Mesdames Wm McKibben, Geo Ruble, W T Cowan,

saac Park and W A Simpson. James Pilgrim is getting better slowly, but his wife is very sick; owing to their advanced age sickness goes hard with them.

Mrs A J Park is spending a week Jefferson Park had another bad

spell last week; his limbs and body are badly swollen. There will be a meeting of the eading politicians soon at Virginia; Judge Wolfe will be the presiding officer, arrangements will be made to recommend cabinet officers and recmmend persons for township officers and then they will be interviewed. Watch and listen to what is coming.

Mrs Jap Pierce is visiting relatives in Butler this week. It is the talk on the street corners that John Nance will be the republican candidate for constable; the reporter called on Mr Nance at his shop found him busy at work, he greeted us with a big smile and inrited us to come in and take a stool after the usual talk about how each other felt and the happenings of the town since we last met and who had got married and who is going to, the reporter told Mr Nance about the talk he had heard on the street. He said there was no truth in that



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WM. E. WALTON, President. street gossip. When asked if he would make the race if nominated, he said he did not think it wise to not accept if his party thought he was the man. Mr Nance is a republican from head to foot, he said since McKinley's election the mills and shops have all started and that he

Mrs Wyatt is on the sick list. Dr Lamb and wife visited his father near Butler last Sunday. John Hussey and Morton Jenkins killed hogs for Steve Cook Monday. Mr Cook has been sick for months.

on and buggy factory of his own.

Mr Nance is a single man and there

is a bright future before him both in

polities and matrimony.

The qui!ting at Mrs James Crooks Wednesday of last week was a grand success. Those present were: Misses Lucy and Ida Cowan, Daisy Denning, Viola Harris, Clemma Jackson, Alice Crooks. The girls report a good time.

John Hendrickson and wife, of
Drexel, visited her father W A Mc-Elrov Sunday.

John Foster has a lot of coal on the bank on Mrs Garner's place one mile north and three-quarters west of Virginia.

AARON. HIGHWAYMEN CONVICTED.

family of Win Widers, formerly of Train Robbers at Nevada, Mo., Sentenced to Ten Years Each.

Nevada, Mo., Dec. 5 -The jury in the case of William Bruce Morris, charged with train robbery, after being out less than an hour, brought in a verdict of guilty to day and as sessed his punishment at ten years in the penitentiary. Morris was tried under the special law enacted in 1895, making ten years the minimum and death the maximum punishment for train robbing

Morris' confederates, Harry H Vaughn and William Rogers, both under indictment for the same of fense, pleaded guilty, and were each given a ten years' sentence. There are seven indictments against the three men for holding up a Missouri Pacific freight train at Nassau June tion on the Nevada and Minden rail way, two miles south of Nevada, on the night of January 15, 1896. The other cases against them were con tinued generally, so that they may be brought back and tried again at the expiration of their sentences The attorneys for the defense say they will take en appeal on the ground that the special law under which they were convicted is uncon stitutional.

Special Agent Plant of the Mis souri, Kansas and Texas railway se cret service was here with a requisi tion from the Governor of Kansas in his pocket for the men in the event 50th sack Nevada flour they were acquitted They are want ed in Kansas to answer to the charge of holding up Station Agent Knox at 50th sack high grade flour the Fort Scott depot on the night of January 10. Chief of Police Hovey of Evansville, Ind , was also here with a requisition for the men from 11b dry salt meat the Governor of Indiana. They are 11th breakfast bacon also wanted for a similar offense in 11b California hams

Murdered Two Boys.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Dec. 6 -A double murder occurred about twelve miles southeast of this city last night. A negro named Davis, while out hunt- Lion coffee per pound ing with the two sons of his employ- XXXX coffee, per pound ers, aged 15 and 13 years, attacked Spoon coffee, per pound the boys with a knife, cutting the throats of both and crushing the skull of the elder. The older boy is dead and the other cannot live.

has eluded capture. Bands of men finest potatoes on the market at are scouring the woods. He surely

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We also have on hand two car loads of flour One car from north, the Minneapolis hard wheat, the was now able to own and run a wag- finest bard wheat flour in the world. and our other car of soft winter wheat from Cherokee, Kansas. We W bought this flour before flour advanc ed and can sell from thirty to forty cents cheaper on the hundred than any other store in Butler. We also have on hands Power Bros. flour, Queen of Butler and the Royal, and will sell in five hundred pound lots at the same price that it will cost you at the mill.

We have just received a fine line of Christmas goods Decorated queens ware af the latest pattern; decorated lamps that we are selling from 30c complete up as high as \$5. If you 3 want a fancy lamp, we have them, and if you want a cheap one, we have them. We bought our lamps this year—we have not had them on bands for two or three years like most of the stores have, and they bought them when they cost three times what they do now We carry all kinds of Christmas presents, fan ev mugs, fancy cups and saucers, fruit dishes, glass sets, knives and forks, water sets, children's cups and saucers and a heavy line of plain and decorated queensware.

We receive to day 5 bbl. of fine, pure sugar candy from St. Louis, with no coloring in it, that we had ordered special for our Christmas trade. The candy we are selling at 81c per pound, it is fine, come in and look at it.

We take all kinds of produce in exchange for all kinds of Christmas goods. We paid the most of last week 18c per dozen for eggs; do not sell your eggs and chickens until you get our prices. We get prices every morning from Kansas City and Chicago, and will give you the highest prices every day in the week for game, turkeys, chickens, ducks, geese, apples, butter and eggs.

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Reed Takes a Stand.

Washington, Dec 6-Speaker Reed has thrown down the gauntlet to the McKinley hosts.

who called on him to night at the the patient rested well to day, but The call says it has been demon-Shoreham, the Speaker declared his opposition to an extra session of ers access to the Governor. On ac Congress. He is in favor of passing reasons for his attitude the demoralizing effects that a prolonged struggle incident to a revision of the tariff would have upon the business inter-50 ests of the country.

he said: "I am in favor of passing of here, met with a terrible fate the Dingley till."

Solves a Murder Mystery.

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 3 -The 1 20 head of Frederick Sneyberger, a German, has been found in the woods, fifteen miles southeast of here, hanging from a noose tied to the limb of 04 a tree. The body had fallen from 07 the head.

Sneyberger, who was 75 years olddisappeared three months ago, and 07 is believed to have been murdered. He lived with his nephew in Springfield. The nephews's wife and the hired man, during the nephew's ab sence, accused Sneyberger of at-20 tempting a crime against chastity.

After the disappearance of the old man, the woman and hired man claimed to have received numerous letters from him The nephew reon the market; it is very strong and turned home a few days ago and

> At Salyersville, Ky., Mrs. T J. Arnett fatally cut Miss Belle Packett, of whom she was jealous.

Governor Bradley's Condition.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 6 .- Governor Bradley of Kentucky is still here, in charge of Max Thorner Two opera-To a party of Republican leaders | tions were performed yesterday and to-night the physician denied all call count of his throat trouble he cannot the Dingley bill, and he advances as talk, but it is believed that he will soon recover.

Manchester Girl Barned

Ballwin, Mo, Dec 5 -This afternoon about 3 o'clock Bertha, the Senator Frye of Maine also will 16-year-old daughter of Dr August oppose an extra session. To-night Meisch of Manchester, one mile east She was nearly burned to death while rendering lard. Her clothes took fire and the flames rapidly Wednesday night. spread over her body.

She was saved from being crema . ed by the promptness of her father who quickly wrapped her in a car pet and extinguished the flames. He was severely burned about the hands and arms.

The young lady was put under the influence of morphine to relieve her of pain.

Citizens of Quachita Parish, La., have organized for the relief of the starving poor of the parish.

Indiana Fusionists to Meet.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 5 .- Chairman Rosenheiuer of the People's party state committee has resued a call for a general conference of populists in this city, December 29. strated that education and work by the people's party at the last election all but crystalized its ideas into law. Silver republicans and all other money reformers are requested

to participate in the conference. The middle of the road populists believe that the call indicated a movement by which the democrats hope to finally absorb the populiet party in the state.

Deepwater Items.

The farmers are busy turning over the ground preparing for the spring

There will be prayer meeting at the Johnstown M E charch (South) every Isome Stubblefield died at his rest-

dence, one mile northeast of Johnstown, Dec. 4th, 1896, after a sickness which had lasted for several months. The remains were interred in the Johnstown cemetery. He leaves a wife and six children to mourn his loss. Their many friends join in sympathy with them.

The first Quarterly meeting of the Johnstown circuit was held by Rev E Y Ginn, of Calhoun, Saturday before the 5th Sunday in November. A protracted meeting, conducted by Rev Barett, is in progress at Bethel on the Lucas circuit. A great deal of interest is taken in the meeting.

A young housekeeper arrived at W A young nouse according to H Zimmers' last Thursday night.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power .- Latest U.S. Gov't Report

